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JOHANNESBURG AFRIKAANS PAPER "DIE TRANSVALER" CARRIED REPORT JULY 21 QUOTING "BOSTON HERALD" THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER WAS QUOTE CONSIDERING A VISIT TO SOUTH AFRICA AND OTHER AFRICAN STATES UNQUOTE. ACCORDING TO THE "HERALD" THE SOCOND MEETING WOULD FOCUS ON RHODESIA AND TAKE PLACE IN SOUTH AFRICA, ZAIRE OR ZAMBIA WITHIN TWO MONTHS.

ANOTHER REPORT IN "DIE TRANSVALER" JULY 21 SAID QUOTE DETAILS OF A PLAN TO GUARANTEE THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF WHITE RHODESIANS IN THE EVENT OF BLACK MAJORITY RULE HAVE RECENTLY BECOME KNOWN HERE (WASHDC). THE PLAN INCLUDES PROVISION FOR BYING OUT RHODESIAN BUSINESS AND FARMS, FOR THEIR MANAGEMENT BY THE FORMER WHITE OWNERS, AND FOR THE RESETTLEMENT OF WHITES IN SOUTH AFRICA, THE U.K., OR

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U.S. UNQUOTE. THE REPORT, FROM THE PAPER'S WASHINGTON BUREAU

CHIEF, SAID THE PLAN WAS DEVISED BY THE U.S. AND U.K. AND SOUTH AFRICA'S ROLE WAS TO PERSUADE RHODESIA TO ACCEPT IT. THE PLAN WAS REPORTEDLY PRESENTED TO AFRICAN STATES BY ASSISTANT SECRETARY SCHAUFFELE AND QUOTE MET WITH MIXED REACTIONS UNQUOTE. REPORT ENDED BY QUOTING STATE DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN SAYING NO DEFINITE PLANS YET FOR SECOND KISSINGER/ VORSTER MEETING. ENGLISH LANGUAGE " RAND DAILY MAIL" (JOHANNESBURG) REPORTED JULY 21 STATE DEPARTMENT HAS QUOTE DISCOUNTED ALL REPORTS OF A PROJECTED SECOND MEETING BETWEEN MR VORSTER AND DR KISSINGER AS PURE SPECULATION UNQUOTE. REPORT QUOTED ITS NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT RICHARD WALKER SAYING QUOTE ANY VISIT BY MR VORSTER TO WASHINGTON WOULD NEED TO BE TIED TO A SIGNIFICANT VICTORY FOR U.S. DIPLOMACY-AGREEMENT ON AN INDEPENDENT SOUTH WEST AFRICA, FOR EXAMPLE- IF IT WAS TO BE RISKED AT SUCH A CRITICAL TIME IN THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN. UNQUOTE. REGARDING SOUTH WEST AFRICA WALKER SAID U.S. OFFICIALS WERE QUOTE MONITORING THE TURNHALL TALKS CLOSELY IN HOPES THAT SOMETHING THEY MIGHT SELL TO THE COUNCIL MIGHT EMERGE, OR AT LEAST THAT THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO VETO RETALIATORY SANCTIONS AGAINST PRETORIA WITH SOME FACE LEFT...THE LEAST THEY CAN WORK WITH IS A DEAL INTO WHICH A SWAPO ROLE IS INJECTED AND SOME LEVEL OF U.N. PARTICIPATION IS ACCEPTED IN THE ELECTION UNQUOTE. REGARDING THE ALLEGED KISSINGER PLAN TO PROVIDE COMPENSATION FOR WHITE RHODESIAN LANDOWNERS CHOOSING TO EVACUATE THEIR HOLDINGS, STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS WERE QUOTED AS SAYING QUOTE IT IS TOO EARLY TO SAY UNQUOTE. HUGHES

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